IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

APPEAL NO.655 OF 2005
IN
WRIT PETITION NO.3328 OF 2004

Air India Limited Appellant

versus

Kamgar Utkarsha Sabha and
87 others and Pankaj R.
Baghudia and 17 others Respondents

Mr.S.K.Talsania with Mr.Saluja i/by M/s.M.V.Kini & Co. for appellant.

Mr.Susheel Mahadeshwar for respondent no.1.

Ms.Ranjana Todankar for respondents 2 and 9 and 10 to 18.

CORAM : DR.S.RADHAKRISHNAN AND
S.C.DHARMADHIKARI, JJ.

DATE : 21st September 2005

PC :

1. Heard learned counsel for the appellant and respondents. By this appeal the appellant is challenging the order dated 11th January 2005 passed by the learned Single Judge at the admission stage by a detailed and well reasoned order. The petition was filed challenging the interlocutory order passed by the Industrial Tribunal. The learned Single Judge has referred

to a Division Bench order dated 8th February 2000 and has directed that the respondents workmen be paid the wages which are paid to the lowest category. Mr.Talsania fairly concedes that the lowest category of unskilled employee receives Rs.11,000/- per month, whereas the respondents have been paid only around Rs.5,590/- per month. Having regard to the fact that the main matter is still pending before the Industrial Tribunal and the writ petition was only against an interlocutory order, we do not find any illegality or infirmity in the order of learned Single Judge dated 11th January 2005. Appeal is dismissed.

(DR.S.RADHAKRISHNAN, J.)

(S.C.DHARMADHIKARI, J.)